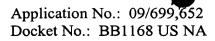
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17. (amended) The polynucleotide of Claim 16, wherein the sequence identity is at least 85%.

- 18. (amended) The polynucleotide of Claim 16, wherein the sequence identity is at least 90%.
- 19. (amended) The polynucleotide of Claim 16, wherein the sequence identity is at least 95%.
- 20. (amended) The polynucleotide of Claim 16 wherein the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide comprises SEQ ID NO:12.
- 21. (amended) The polynucleotide of Claim 16, wherein the polynucleotide comprises SEQ IQ NO:11.
  - 25. (amended) A cell comprising the recombinant DNA construct of Claim 38.
- 26. (amended) The cell of Claim 25, wherein the cell is selected from the group consisting of a bacterial cell and a plant cell.
- 27. (amended) A transgenic plant comprising the recombinant DNA construct of Claim 38.
- 38. (amended) A recombinant DNA construct comprising the polynucleotide of Claim 16 operably linked to at least one regulatory sequence.
  - 39. (amended) A method for altering the level of expression of triacylglycerol lipase in a host cell, the method comprising:
    - (a) Transforming a host sell with the chimeric gene of claim 38; and
    - (b) Growing the transformed cell in step (a) under conditions suitable for the expression of the chimeric gene.

Please add the following claim:

40. A vector comprising the polynucleotide of Claim 16.

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